

**§ 61.56 Supplements.**

A carrier may not file a supplement except to suspend or cancel a tariff publication.

**§ 61.57 Cancellations.**

The following paragraphs govern the cancellation of tariffs and supplements.

(a) *By tariff or supplement.* A carrier may cancel any tariff or supplement in whole or in part by another tariff or supplement. Cancellation of a tariff automatically cancels every supplement to that tariff, except a cancelling supplement.

(b) *By expiration.* Subject to § 61.59, a carrier may cancel a tariff or supplement in whole or in part by fixing a date on which the rates or regulations will expire.

(c) *Indication of.* (1) A carrier which cancels a tariff or supplement in whole by another tariff or supplement must comply with § 61.54(b)(1). Cancellation of tariffs or supplements in whole by expiration must be indicated as provided in § 61.54(b)(3).

(2) Where a carrier issues a tariff, supplement, or revised page partially cancelling another tariff, supplement, or revised page, it must specifically state what portion of the other tariff publication is cancelled. Such other tariff or supplement must at the same time be correspondingly amended, effective on the same date.

(3) When only a part of tariff or supplement is to expire, a carrier must show the expiration date on the same page, and associate it with the matter which is to expire. Changes in expiration date must be made pursuant to the notice requirements of § 61.58, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission. Expirations must be indicated as follows:

Expires at the end of \_\_\_\_\_  
(date) unless sooner cancelled, changed or extended.

(d) *Rates and regulations to apply.* When a carrier cancels a tariff or supplement in whole or in part by another tariff or supplement, the cancelling publication must show where all rates and regulations will be found, or what rates and regulations will apply.

(e) *Omissions.* When a tariff or supplement cancelling a previous tariff or supplement omits points of origin or destination, rates or regulations, or routes, which were contained in such tariff or supplement, the new tariff or supplement must indicate the omission in the manner prescribed in paragraph (c) of this section. If such omissions effect changes in rates of regulations, that fact must be indicated by the use of the uniform symbols prescribed in § 61.54(i)(1).

(f) *Carriers ceasing operations.* When a carrier ceases operations without a successor, it must cancel its tariffs pursuant to the notice requirements of § 61.58, unless otherwise authorized by the Commission.

**§ 61.58 Notice requirements.**

(a) Every proposed tariff filing must bear an effective date and, except as otherwise provided by regulation, special permission, or Commission order, must be made on at least the number of days notice specified in this section.

(1) Notice is accomplished by filing the proposed tariff changes with the Commission. Any period of notice specified in this section begins on and includes the date the tariff is received by the Commission, but does not include the effective date. If a tariff filing proposes changes governed by more than one of the notice periods listed below, the longest notice period will apply. In computing the notice period required, all days including Sundays and holidays must be counted.

(2) Except for tariffs filed pursuant to section 204(a)(3) of the Communications Act, the Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, may require the deferral of the effective date of any tariff filing made on less than 120-days' notice, so as to provide for a maximum of 120-days' notice, or of such other maximum period of notice permitted by section 203(b) of the Communications Act, regardless of whether petitions under § 1.773 of this chapter have been filed.

(3) Tariff filings proposing corrections must be made on at least 3 days' notice, and may be filed notwithstanding the provisions of § 61.59. Corrections to tariff materials not yet effective cannot take effect before the effective date of the original material.

(4) This subsection applies only to dominant carriers. If the tariff publication would increase any rate or charge, or would effectuate and authorized discontinuance, reduction or other impairment of service to any customer, the offering carrier must inform the affected customers of the content of the tariff publication. Such notification should be made in a form appropriate to the circumstance, and may include written notification, personal contact, or advertising in newspapers of general circulation.

(b) *Non-dominant carriers.* Tariff filings of non-dominant carriers must be made on at least 14 days' notice.

(c) *Carriers subject to price cap regulation.* This paragraph applies only to carriers subject to price cap regulation. Such carriers must file tariffs according to the following notice periods.

(1) For annual adjustments to the PCI, API, and SBI values under §§ 61.44, 61.46, and 61.47, respectively, dominant interexchange carrier filings must be made on at least 45 days' notice. For annual adjustments to the PCI, API, and SBI values under §§ 61.45, 61.46, and 61.47, respectively, local exchange carrier tariff filings must be made on not less than 90 days' notice.

(2) Tariff filings that do not cause any API to exceed any applicable PCI pursuant to calculations provided for in § 61.46 of this part, and that do not cause any SBI to exceed its banding limitations established in § 61.47 of this part, must be made on at least 14 days' notice, provided that the tariff filing is restricted to one or more of the following changes to the tariff:

- (i) Alters only a rate level;
- (ii) Adds a geographic location;
- (iii) Eliminates a rate element; or
- (iv) Changes the number or size of taper points in a volume discount plan without changing the initial volume quantity associated with the lowest discount level or the highest volume quantity associated with the highest discount level.

(3) Tariff filings that will cause any API to exceed its applicable PCI pursuant to calculations provided for in § 61.46 of this part, that will cause any SBI to exceed its upper banding limitations established in § 61.47 (e), (f)(1), (g), and (h) of this part, or that will cause

the composite average residential rate to exceed its limitation on upward pricing flexibility established in § 61.47(f)(2) of this part, must be made on at least 120 days' notice, or such other maximum period of notice permitted by section 203(b) of the Communications Act, regardless of whether petitions under § 1.773 of the Commission's Rules have been filed.

(4) Tariff filings that will cause any SBI to decrease below its lower banding limit established in § 61.47 (e), (g), and (h), must be made on at least 45 days' notice.

(5) Tariff filings involving a change in rate structure of a service included in a basket listed in § 61.42(a) or § 61.42(d), or the introduction of a new service within the scope of § 61.42(g), must be made on at least 45 days' notice.

(6) Tariff filings involving services included in § 61.42(c), except for services included in § 61.42 (c)(1), (c)(4), and (c)(10), must be made on at least 14 days notice.

(7) The required notice for services included in § 61.42 (c)(1), (c)(4), and (c)(10), tariff filings involving services included in § 61.42(f), or tariff filings involving changes in tariff regulations, other than tariff regulations for services described in paragraph (c)(6), shall be that required in connection with such filings by dominant carriers that are not subject to price cap regulation.

(d) *Tariffs filed pursuant to section 204(a)(3) of the Communications Act.* Local exchange carriers filing tariffs pursuant to section 204(a)(3) of the Communications Act may file the tariff on 7-days' notice if it proposes only rate decreases. Any other tariff filed pursuant to section 204(a)(3) of the Communications Act, including those that propose a rate increase or any change in terms and conditions of service other than a rate change, shall be filed on 15-days' notice.

(e) *Carriers subject to optional incentive regulation.* Paragraph (e) of this section applies only to carriers subject to § 61.50. Such carriers must file tariffs according to the following notice periods:

(1) For initial and renewal tariff filings whose effective date coincides with the start of any two-year tariff

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period as defined in § 69.3(f) of this chapter, filings must be made on not less than 90 days' notice.

(2) For rate revisions made pursuant to § 61.50 (g) and (i), and § 61.39(d), tariff filings must be made on not less than 14 days' notice.

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### **§ 61.59 Effective period required before changes.**

Except as provided in § 61.58(a)(3) or except as otherwise authorized by the Commission, new rates or regulations must be effective for at least 30 days before any change may be made.

### **§ 61.67 New or discontinued telephone and teletypewriter service points; mileages.**

Message toll telephone service points and teletypewriter exchange service points added or discontinued during a calendar month may be filed not later than 20 days after the end of such month where the basic schedules of rates and regulations applicable to such message toll telephone and teletypewriter exchange service points are effective and the effective date of each addition or discontinuance is shown.

### **§ 61.68 Special notations.**

(a) A tariff filing must contain a statement of the authority for any matter to be filed on less than the notice required in § 61.58. The following must be used:

Issued on not less than — days' notice under authority of — (specific reference to the special permission, decision, order or section of these rules).

If all the matter in a tariff publication is to become effective on less than the notice required in § 61.58, specific reference to the Commission authority must be shown on the title page. If only a part of the tariff publication is to become effective on less than the notice required in § 61.58, reference to the Commission authority must appear on the same page(s), and be associated with the pertinent matter.

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(b) When a portion of any tariff publication is issued in order to comply with the Commission order, the following notation must be associated with that portion of the tariff publication:

In compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission in — (a specific citation to the applicable order should be made).

### **§ 61.69 Rejection.**

When a tariff publication is rejected by the Commission, its number may not be used again. The rejected tariff publication may not be referred to as cancelled or revised. The publication that is subsequently issued in lieu of the rejected tariff publication must bear the notation

In lieu of —, rejected by the Federal Communications Commission.

### **§ 61.71 Reissued matter.**

Matter in effect for less than 30 days and brought forward without change from another tariff publication must bear the appropriate symbol provided in § 61.54(i)(1) for reissued matter. The number and original effective date of the tariff publication in which the matter was originally published must be associated with the reissued matter.

### **§ 61.72 Posting.**

(a) Offering carriers must post (i.e., keep accessible to the public) during the carrier's regular business hours, a schedule of rates and regulations for those services subject to tariff filing requirements. This schedule must include all effective and proposed rates and regulations pertaining to the services offered to and from the community or communities served, and must be the same as that on file with the Commission. This posting requirement must be satisfied by the following methods:

(1) Where the filing has an office or offices open to the public in states or territories of the United States, the carrier must post the schedule of rates and regulations in one office in each state or territory of its operation.

(2) A carrier must provide a telephone number for public inquiries about information contained in its tariffs. This telephone number should be